To: Odyssey 8th grade families, students, teachers, and staff
From: Michelle Bashaw and Jessica Swann
Re: 2022-2023 8th Grade Overnight Field Trip

Dear 8th grade families:

We are excited to announce that we will be able to offer an overnight field trip for our 8th grade students this year to The Ecology School in Saco, Maine pending board approval. This will be <u>the first of many communications</u> regarding the trip, but we wanted you to have information well in advance of our virtual family information night scheduled for October 4th at 6:30 pm.

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General Information

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Dates: November 15th-November 18th
Departure time: 7:00 am departure from Odyssey Community School (please arrive by 6:45 am)
Expected Return: 2:30 pm on Friday, November 18th (subject to change due to traffic)
Location: The Ecology School in Saco, Maine
Transportation: Coach bus from Post Road Stages
Cost: $50* per student (Payment due November 14th)
*We have received a full scholarship from The Ecology School- the cost is for transportation to and from Maine
*If the cost is burdensome please contact Michelle Bashaw at mbashaw@odysseyschool.org for assistance

Who will be with students? 5-6 Members of Odyssey staff including Ms. Bashaw will attend the trip. In addition, The Ecology School is fully staffed and has an onsite nurse for the entire duration of the trip.

Who makes group and room decisions? Odyssey staff will work together to make group and rooming decisions. We will ensure that every student feels comfortable with who they are grouped with for the duration of the trip.

Information about the Ecology School
- https://theecologyschool.org/
- https://theecologyschool.org/overnight-programs (FAQs are at the bottom of the page)
- *[Ecology School Information](#)*

Upcoming Family Information Sessions
- Open House September 22nd at 6:00 in person with Mrs. Swann and Ms. Bashaw
- **October 4th 6:30 pm** Virtual Information session with The Ecology School staff
  - The session will be recorded for families that are unable to attend